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 AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING SAME

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated July 16, 2004, be extended for three months to and including Tuesday January 18, 2005 (in view of the holiday in the District of Columbia on January 17, 2005).

Enclosed is a check for \$510 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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